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Attorney Docket No.	4022.026
First Inventor	Stephen Welch
Title	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING A BINDER COVER AND A RING BINDER
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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105	130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath
127	50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet
139	130	139 130	Non-English specification
147	2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination
112	920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action
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115	110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month
116	390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month
117	890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month
118	1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month
128	1,890	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month
119	310	219 155	Notice of Appeal
120	310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
121	270	221 135	Request for oral hearing
138	1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding
140	110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable
141	1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional
142	1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)
143	440	243 220	Design issue fee
144	600	244 300	Plant issue fee
122	130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner
123	50	123 50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)
126	180	126 180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt
581	40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)
146	710	246 355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))
149	710	249 355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))
179	710	279 355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)
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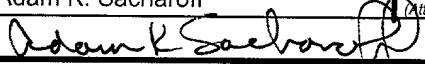
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103	18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20
102	80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
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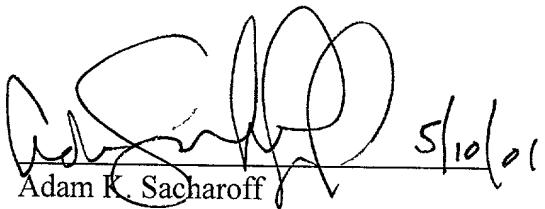
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